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SUBJECT: SOVIET OFFICIAL TRAVEL IN U.S. - AUGUST, 1981

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1. (CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.)

2. SOVIET EMBASSY WASHINGTON FILED 74 NOTES FOR TRAVEL TO OPEN AREAS OF THE U.S. FOR ITS PERSONNEL IN AUGUST. WEEKEND TRAVEL TO THE DELAWARE AND MARYLAND BEACHES REPRESENTED 34 OF THESE TRIPS. PORTIONS OF ONE TRIP - A REQUEST

TO TRAVEL TO VERMONT - WERE DENIED AS REPORTED REF A. A SECOND REQUEST BY AN EMPLOYEE OF THE USSR TRADE REPRESENTATION FOR TRAVEL TO NEW YORK CITY WAS DENIED BECAUSE IT WAS FILED LESS THAN 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE. THE SOVIET EMBASSY SUBMITTED TWO REQUESTS FOR 24-HOUR EXCEPTIONS: ONE TO CHANGE THE ROUTING OF A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED TRIP; AND ONE TO CHANGE THE RETURN DATE OF A TRIP. BOTH WERE APPROVED. THE SOVIET EMBASSY REQUESTED ONE CLOSED-AREA EXCEPTION FOR FISHERIES ATTACH TO FLY TO SEATTLE FOR MEETINGS WITH MARINE RESOURCES CO. AT THE REQUEST OF THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT OF THE COMPANY, THE DEPARTMENT

APPROVED THE REQUEST, INFORMING THE SOVIETS THAT THIS WAS AN EXCEPTION AND RECIPROCAL COOPERATION WAS EXPECTED IN MOSCOW FROM MFA. (THE DECISION TO ALLOW THIS TRAVEL WAS BASED ON THE SOVIETS' RECENT PERMISSION FOR MARINE RESOURCES CO.'S REPRESENTATIVE IN NAHKOONA TO DEPART THE USSR THROUGH A CLOSED AREA).

3. SOVIET CONGEN SAN FRANCISCO SUBMITTED 10 NOTES FOR ITS PERSONNEL TO TRAVEL TO OPEN AREAS. ONE TRIP - WAS DENIED. IN ADDITION, CONGEN SAN FRANCISCO REQUESTED THREE CLOSED-AREA EXCEPTIONS - ALL THREE WERE DENIED.

4. SOVIET CORRESPONDENTS SUBMITTED FOURTEEN NOTES FOR TRAVEL TO OPEN AREAS. THE DEPARTMENT APPROVED ALL REQUESTS.

5. INTOURIST FILED 3 NOTES FOR TRAVEL TO OPEN AREAS AND ALL WERE APPROVED. IN ADDITION, INTOURIST REQUESTED A CLOSED-AREA EXCEPTION TO GO TO HONOLULU TO ATTEND A TRAVEL CONFERENCE. THE REQUEST WAS DENIED.

6. AEROFLOT PERSONNEL SUBMITTED 13 NOTES, ALL FOR OPEN AREAS, AND ALL WERE APPROVED.

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